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S. 2848

To provide for a land exchange to benefit the Pecos National Historical
Park in New Mexico.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BINGAMAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and
referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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Historical Park in New Mexico.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Pecos National Histor-
5 ical Park Land Exchange Act of 2000”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 As used in this Act—

8 (1) the term “Secretaries” means the Secretary
9 of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture;

1 (2) the term “landowner” means Harold and
2 Elizabeth Zuschlag, owners of land within the Pecos
3 National Historical Park; and

4 (3) the term “map” means a map entitled
5 “Pecos National Historical Park Land Exchange”
6 and dated June 27, 2000.

7 **SEC. 3. LAND EXCHANGE.**

8 (a) Upon the conveyance by the landowner to the Sec-
9 retary of the Interior of the lands identified in subsection
10 (b), the Secretary of Agriculture shall convey the following
11 lands and interests to the landowner, subject to the provi-
12 sions of this Act:

13 (1) approximately 160 acres of Federal lands
14 and interests therein within the Santa Fe National
15 Forest in the State of New Mexico, as generally de-
16 picted on the map; and

17 (2) an easement for water pipelines to two ex-
18 isting well sites, located within the Pecos National
19 Historical Park, as provided in this paragraph.

20 (A) The Secretary of the Interior shall de-
21 termine the appropriate route of the easement
22 through Pecos National Historical Park and
23 such route shall be a condition of the easement.
24 The Secretary of the Interior may add such ad-

1 ditional terms and conditions to the easement
2 as he deems appropriate.

3 (B) The easement shall be established, op-
4 erated, and maintained in compliance with all
5 Federal laws.

6 (b) The lands to be conveyed by the landowner to the
7 Secretary of the Interior comprise approximately 154
8 acres within the Pecos National Historical Park as gen-
9 erally depicted on the map.

10 (c) The Secretary of Agriculture shall convey the
11 lands and interests identified in subsection (a) only if the
12 landowner conveys a deed of title to the United States,
13 that is acceptable to and approved by the Secretary of the
14 Interior.

15 (d) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-
17 vided in this Act, the exchange of lands and inter-
18 ests pursuant to this Act shall be in accordance with
19 the provisions of section 206 of the Federal Land
20 Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1716) and
21 other applicable laws.

22 (2) VALUATION AND APPRAISALS.—The values
23 of the lands and interests to be exchanged pursuant
24 to this Act shall be equal, as determined by apprais-
25 als using nationally recognized appraisal standards

1 including the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Fed-
2 eral Land Acquisition. The landowner shall pay the
3 cost of the appraisals.

4 (3) COMPLETION OF THE EXCHANGE.—The ex-
5 change of lands and interests pursuant to this Act
6 shall be completed not later than 90 days after the
7 Secretary of the Interior approves the appraisals.

8 (4) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—
9 The Secretaries may require such additional terms
10 and conditions in connection with the exchange of
11 lands and interests pursuant to this Act as the Sec-
12 retaries consider appropriate to protect the interests
13 of the United States.

14 **SEC. 4. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT AND MAPS.**

15 (a) Upon acceptance of title by the Secretary of the
16 Interior of the lands and interests conveyed to the United
17 States pursuant to section 4 of this Act, the boundaries
18 of the Pecos National Historical Park shall be adjusted
19 to encompass such lands. The Secretary of the Interior
20 shall administer such lands in accordance with the provi-
21 sions of law generally applicable to units of the National
22 Park System, including the Act entitled “An Act to estab-
23 lish a National Park Service, and for other purposes”, ap-
24 proved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2–4).

1 (b) The map shall be on file and available for public
2 inspection in the appropriate offices of the Secretaries.

3 (c) Not later than 180 days after completion of the
4 exchange described in section 3, the Secretaries shall
5 transmit the map accurately depicting the lands and inter-
6 ests conveyed to the Committee on Energy and Natural
7 Resources of the United States Senate and the Committee
8 on Resources of the United States House of Representa-
9 tives.

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